Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, Caroline Weigel was born November 7, 1926, to Joseph and Mary Welder Weigel of German-Russian heritage, the youngest of 9 children, including 7 brothers and 1 sister; and,

Whereas, Caroline grew up on a farm located 8 miles northwest of Zeeland, North Dakota, and attended country school one mile from the family farm; and,

Whereas, Caroline married Mike J. Seiler on June 28, 1948, and to this union 4 children were born, Dean, Jim, Linda and Jean, who in turn blessed them with 8 grandchildren and 4 great-grandchildren; and,

Whereas, Caroline worked with Mike on their farm near Herreid, South Dakota, by hand-milking cows, separating cream, tending cows and pigs, shocking corn and raising chickens for many years. She also thoroughly enjoyed working at the Herreid Good Samaritan Center for over 20 years; and,

Whereas, Caroline has been an active member of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Herreid for 57 years and enjoys working the annual St. Michael's Church Bazaar; and,

Whereas, Caroline is known for her smoked pork ring-sausage, meatballs and gravy, mashed potatoes, lemon pies, prune kuchen, brownies and chocolate chip cookies; and,

Whereas, Caroline enjoys gardening and canning her tomatoes and cucumbers to share with her family, playing checkers, watching the Lawrence Welk show and still exercises each day by walking several miles; and,

Whereas, Caroline will observe her 80th Birthday with all the good wishes, fanfare and celebration such a milestone warrants, as her family members gather in Herreid, South Dakota, to honor her and celebrate her life and the camaraderie of the day; and it is fitting and proper for the Governor to make note of this milestone in the life of a woman who has lived an exemplary life for all to emulate:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim November 7, 2006, as

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in South Dakota, and I join all her many friends and relatives in wishing her a very happy birthday, good health and great happiness.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this First Day of November in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Six.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State